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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Letter of 2 August 2004, amend
the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification: None.**Amendments to the Claims:** are reflected in the listing of claims
that begins on page 2 of this paper.**Amendments to the Drawings:** None.**Remarks/Arguments:** begin on page 7 of this paper.**Certificate of Transmission:**

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